

Notice of Public Meeting of a Public Body

Sections 7.6, 7.7.4 and 7.9.1

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE - Governor's Forest Health COUNCILS

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431, notice is hereby given to the members of the Forest Health Advisory & Oversight Councils and to the general public that the **Forest Health Advisory & Oversight Councils** will hold a meeting open to the public:

Thursday, June 8, 2006 – 9:30 am – 11:30 am
Followed by a Field Trip to Camp Navajo from 1PM to 3:30PM (Meet at the Gate)
Babbitt Administration Building, Northern Arizona University
Conference Room #206
Flagstaff, AZ 86011

- 1) Call to order – Wally Covington and Ethan Aumack
- 2) Review and vote on separate minutes from the Oversight and Advisory Council meetings on 5.11.06
Minutes moved to next meeting
- 3) Subcommittees
 - a. Reports
 - i. Mapping & Assessment - Barron Orr
Final up load of the module
No meeting has been set with other councils.
 - ii. Policy Lori Faeth - **No report**
 - iii. Utilization & Commerce - No Chair – **No report**
 - iv. Zoning & Implementation - Mayor Joe Donaldson – **No report**
 - v. Education - Michael Neal – **No report**
 - vi. 20 Year Strategy- Ethan Aumack –

Working on draft of the strategy. The current outline was distributed. The document will be brought to the Advisory Council for review and to the Oversight Council for text and language review.
- 4) Flagstaff Fire Department, Wildland Urban Interface GIS Program, Paul Summerfelt –
The map shows: Threat levels, Land use planning 1995-2002 treatments, What type of treatments took place and in what year. It includes a weighted overlay-technique for applying 8 layers that were created for the map. Slope, hydrants, vegetation, accessibility, roof type, structure, treatments and pavements. The goal is to show residents the degree of threat in different neighborhoods.
- 5) Southwest Forest Assessment, The Nature Conservancy, Rob Marshall and Lisa McNeilly
The assessment project has developed 6 primary tools to evaluate vegetation scenarios overtime. It includes: Photo archive – 1875 – 2003; Historical Range of Variation; Models of Vegetation change – all forest types, and grasslands and land health. The regional assessment data – will be repeated every 3 years. It will predict impact on wildlife with changing forest structures. It also includes species data and a fire-return interval dataset.
***New Market Tax Credit : NM San Juan Pueblo**
- 6) Coconino, Kaibab and Prescott National Forest Plan Revisions, Heather Green, Core Planning Team, Coconino National Forest
Budget is minimal for forest planning. The group discussed the AZ Map. The Council was asked for WUI definitions and revision process from the council. The Council asked how it can help the Forest Service. Formal meetings for forest plan revisions will begin in the fall.
- 7) Clarifying the request from the Oversight Council to the Advisory Council with regard to treatment protocols, Wally Covington and Ethan Aumack
Will discuss on July 13th's meeting.

- 8) Prioritization of activities for the upcoming year for the Advisory Council, Ethan Aumack and Wally Covington
Will discuss on July 13th's meeting.
- 9) Future meeting dates and locations
- a. July 13, 2006 – Prescott?
 - b. August 17, 2006 - ? not definite location – Correct date for August meeting is August 10th – location not definite
 - c. September 14, 2006- Show Low, Arizona (Opportunity to review and learn more about the White Mountains Stewardship Contract)
- 10) Call to the Public - none
- 11) Adjournment – 11:45a
- 12) Camp Navajo Tour- 1p – **Forest Residue, slash piles from thinning**
Ethanol issues priority, gas crisis
Intent to lease for waste, gasification, ethanol, power would fuel the mill and corn
Construction waste cheaper to haul all over the state and pay rather than dump in land fill

Dated this June 8, 2006 - Governor's Forest Health Councils

CO-CHAIRS

Forest Health Advisory Council
Ethan Aumack-Grand Canyon Trust
Wally Covington- Ecological Restoration Institute, NAU

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Forest Health Oversight Council
Tom O'Halleran – Arizona House of Representatives
Diane Vosick – Ecological Restoration Institute, NAU